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Daily Chroniclings of the Doings of Our Country Cousins by The Farmer's Special Correspondent

### SUNDAY CASES

#### THROWN OUT

Actions Brought by the Civic Club of Westport Fail Because Grand Juror Was Not Really Appointed.

(Special to the Farmer.) Westport, May 13.—The much advertised case of the Civic Club of this town to purify the community ended in a fiasco yesterday when the three test cases were brought before Justice Joseph Morton. Mrs. Lena Pike Antonio Ferrari and Joseph Chichasola were each charged with selling cigars on the Sabbath in violation of section 1269 of the General Statutes which forbids any person to sell any article between the hours of twelve Saturday night and twelve Sunday night under penalty of a fine of \$50. The writs under which these prosecutions were brought were signed by Frederick Bradley a grand juror as demanded by the statute. Mr. Bradley believing that he was regularly appointed with due authority from the state of Connecticut signed the writs brought to him and the prosecutions were brought. At the trial yesterday morning Attorneys Herbert and Davis represented the prosecution. Watch and Hurlbut of Norwich representing the defense called for the record of the appointment of Mr. Bradley as grand juror. Town Clerk Joseph J. Hyatt was unable to produce any such record. When the selectmen had made Mr. Bradley a grand juror they had failed to make a record of the appointment and it had no standing in court. The warrants were therefore null and void and the cases were thrown out of court by Justice Morton. Professor George H. Boyden, principal of the Staples High school, who has been one of the principal actors in the law enforcement game in this town engaged in a wordy conflict with the attorneys of the Civic club after the trial. He accused the attorneys of the club with negligence in not ascertaining the status of the grand juror before the cases came to trial. He suggested that the Civic club should hire some competent attorneys to represent them in the future. In the parlance of the street the first inning of the crusade of the self-appointed supervisors of the morals of the town broke up in a row amongst themselves and the town will be obliged to pay the costs of the trial which will amount to more than \$50. The disavowal of the appointment of Mr. Bradley as grand juror nullifies the conviction of two men who were convicted of burglary on writs issued by Mr. Bradley. And so the first agonized

wall of the purists of the town has ended. Besides making the town a target for the jeers of the whole commonwealth the better-than-thou people have saddled a bill upon the taxpayers and disclosed themselves as incompetents, unfit to take charge of the morals of the town or to meddle with the existing order of things. It is well known that the statutes of the state can be so construed that every business that cannot be proven to be necessary may be prevented on the Sabbath. It would be well enough to call the attention of the people of the town to a couplet seen on many an office desk:

"There is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it behooves any of us to find much fault with the rest of us."

The twentieth century has no place for the man who smites himself on the breast and says, "O Lord I thank thee that I am not one of these." The person who sits down and reads his bible devoutly on the Sabbath will have no desire to cast the mote out of the eye of our friend Ferrari but will devote his attention to the beam in his own eye. But after all this whole controversy may result in good for it may have a tendency to cure the growing inclination towards wide open Sabbath. The great justifiable and reasonable man will be found between the two extremes when the heat of battle is over.

Dr. John L. Adams a former resident of the town passed yesterday with friends here. On Wednesday of next week he will sail for Europe for an extended tour.

Dr. Nolan has returned from the Adirondacks where he has passed several weeks fishing and absorbing ozone.

It is to the credit of the Civic club that the whole membership is not engaged in a warfare against their fellows. At the meeting of the club held this week the preservation of the trees of the town and the introduction of illuminating gas was discussed.

Justice S. A. Purdy is highly respected in the town as a man of unquestioned veracity. Meeting E. N. Sippely in the Town Clerk's office the other day he called the attention of the famous well digger to the time he ran over the judge's puppy with his motor car passing over the animal without inflicting any injury. "You ought to see that pup" said the Judge. "He has grown into a prize winning dog. He is fond of children and his antics with the kids is a sight. The other day he got over into the field and tackled Jim Donlin's cow. Well that was some fun. The cow was too quick for the dog and Pido was tossed up in the air on the cow's horns. He's some dog, she is a muley. She hasn't any horns." The silence that followed was eloquent.

Mrs. John E. Lawrence and son John E. Jr. are visiting in New York.

George B. Gorham who has been ill for several weeks is slowly recovering. And is able to be about again.

Oiling of the roads in the town began yesterday and will be continued until they are in good shape.

### EVILS OF ROAD OILING

Old Street Sprinkler Gives His Opinion of Modern Methods of Laying Dust in the Main Roads.

(Special to the Farmer.) Southport, May 13.—Matt Anderson, the ancient driver of the sprinking cart of former years, sat on the roadside yesterday and watched the oil distributing apparatus going over the main street. In reproachful tones Matt said: "Now what d'yer think of that? Soakin' the streets with that stinkin' stuff, pizenin' all the butterflies and killin' all the honey bees, an' spollin' all the sweet spring smells that used to fill up the town an' makin' the town smell like a gas works, a stinkin' up yer feet an' spollin' yer carpets an' raisin' the devil all around, an' what d'yer think of that?"

Ash Bond has 150 lobster pots set off on a small island and says he is having good luck with them.

Parties were in town yesterday trying to rent advertising privileges on the schooner yacht Kathleen, owned by E. W. S. Pickett, which has lain over against the wall in the harbor all winter. The advertisers want to stretch big canvas signs between the masts of the yacht advertising Jones' flour, Hassan cigarettes and Hartmann's beer. There is liable to be opposition to locating such an eyesore in the harbor.

William H. Jennings has purchased a Peerless delivery car at the Jennings garage in Bridgeport. Howard Taylor will operate the car which is warranted to climb a tree and do other stunts.

A Nash gas engine was delivered to E. T. Bedford yesterday. It will be installed at the new mansion in Greens Farms and will be used to pump water.

Clarence Goodell was behind the prescription desk at the Switzer pharmacy yesterday.

Dr. J. DeVer Warner, who purchased the farm of Nellie Sherwood at Mill Hill and other property adjoining, is preparing to build a handsome residence thereon. There are now over 100 acres in the tract. An elevated platform has been erected which is moved from place to place on the property to obtain a correct idea of the best location for the house. Photographs are taken from the various locations. When completed the estate will be one of the finest in New England.

Philadelphia—Ernest Hebble killed himself rather than yield to the insistence of his friends that he join a labor union.

EVERYBODY THINKS THAT SATISFACTION COAL IS THE BEST IN THE CITY

Stratford's Aviators Big Crowd Outside the Grounds Enjoy the Sights as Much as Those Who Paid Admission.

(Special to the Farmer.) Stratford, May 13.—On and after June 1, R. F. D. 13 will be amended as follows: East Broadway from Elm street to East Main street; by East Main street to G. E. Wheeler's residence, thence to Patterson avenue, to Longbrook avenue to Main street, thence to post office. Those patrons living on these roads who wish service will provide themselves with the regulation box. Slips can be obtained at the office.

Stratford, the mother of aviation in Connecticut, was well represented at the flights, both inside and outside of Aerodrome Park. Those who could afford to pay the admission fee enjoyed the exhibition from the outside, and it was a genuine treat to many who do not often find an opportunity to witness such events. The Center School Drum Corps with Supt. Kelsey led the grounds yesterday in full regalia and furnished martial music to stir the blood of the immense throng. The boys were the guests of the management of the park and enjoyed all the sights. Many favorable comments were heard on the skill of the corps. Prof. Kelsey came in for his share of the credit, for he has perfected the boys in a short time. Sheriff C. B. Seagrass is in charge of the policing of the grounds, and under his eye everything passed off without a hitch.

The repairs to the Main street pavement are being paid for by the Connecticut Co., and not by the town as has been believed. The work is creditable but a better plan would probably have been to have plowed up the street.

Engineers are at work today staking out the site for the new factory at Avon Park.

William Jennings, inspector for this district for the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, was in town yesterday bidding farewell to the patrons of the company he has been visiting for seven years. During this period Mr. Jennings has made every one in his district his friend by his unfailing good nature and gentlemanly bearing. He has been transferred to a Bridgeport district where the work will be lighter. He speaks in the highest terms of his treatment while here, and feels as if he were leaving home.

Clarence Goodell is drawing plans for several out of town residences. His success with two houses recently built here for himself and his father have brought him much business.

Selectman Fred Nettleton is grading and beautifying the grounds at the residence of Clarence Goodell on East Broad street.

NEW TOWN.

Rev. George T. Sinnott, pastor of St. Rose's, tendered an informal reception to the young ladies of the parish, Wednesday evening, about 50 being present. The greater part of the enjoyable evening was taken up with an exhibition of stereopticon and refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Birdseye Glover has been called to Bethel on account of the sudden death of her sister, Mrs. Orrin Smith, which sad event occurred Wednesday evening about an hour after enjoying an automobile ride, during which time she was stricken while in company with her daughter. Friends in town were grieved to hear the sad news. Mrs. Smith was a woman of estimable character and somewhere past 50 years of age.

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Newtown—H. Bradley, 2b; Leavy, 1b; Blake, cf; Baker, 3b; Keating, c; Driscoll, ss; R. Bradley, p; Roach, lf; Honan and Lynch, rf.

EASTON

Rev. and Mrs. Judson Conklin of Trenton, N. J., are visiting at the home of Mrs. Conklin's brother, Mr. Edward Gillett.

Mr. Charles Powell, Miss Ruth Smith and Mr. Harold Smith of Sport Hill and Miss Marsh were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Mallett "Sweet Briar" on Thursday.

Rev. and Mrs. Judson Conklin spent Thursday afternoon as guests of Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Locke.

Miss Minnie Sherwood was a caller at "Silver Hill Farm" on Mrs. John Wheeler on Thursday afternoon.

The regular services will be held at the Baptist and Congregational churches on Sunday morning.

The Methodist church at Sport Hill will be closed as the pastor, Rev. Mr. Price will be in Brooklyn.

The B. U. C. E. of the Baptist church will be held as usual on Sunday evening the assigned leader is Miss Grace Williams.

The B. U. C. E. will hold a sociable at the hall on Friday evening, May 13th. A program will be given after which a supper will be served.

Mrs. Elmer Andrews and daughter, Lillian spent Friday in Bridgeport.

NUGETTS good to the end.

OPPOSED TO TEN FOOT CENTER BILL

The members of the Streets and Sidewalks committee of the Common Council will appear at the meeting of the council, Monday evening, in opposition to the granting of the petition of the Connecticut Co. for 10 foot centers in Fairfield avenue, west from Main street to Park avenue. This sentiment was voiced at the meeting of the committee last evening, as the members believe that Fairfield avenue is none too wide now for traffic.

In connection with the laying of 10 foot centers, the members of the committee will go to Hartford on Wednesday to be heard in opposition to the petition now before the Legislature allowing street railway companies to build their double tracks anywhere in the State they choose with 10 foot centers. The committee members are opposed to this bill, believing that the city or town should determine on what centers the trolley lines should be laid. They are much opposed to handing over the entire streets to the trolley companies. At the same time the committee will attend the hearing before the Railroad Commissioners on the petition of the Bridgeport-Danbury trolley company for the location of its lines in North Main street. The committee on Tuesday evening in company with City Engineer M. F. McKenna will visit North Main street so as to get an idea as to the layout of the tracks.

The committee voted to recommend a public hearing on June 5 for the proposed widening of three feet of Stratford avenue from Seaview avenue to the city line.

The public hearing on the extension

of the South Main street line through South avenue to Iranistan avenue, thence to Atlantic street to the Barnum dyke, is to be held Monday evening, May 15.

SHIPPER GETS DIVORCE ON ACCOUNT OF "TOO MUCH WIFE'S FAMILY"

(Special from United Press.) Wilmington, May 13.—"Too much wife's family" was the reason given by Walter Shippee, of this place, for his divorce petition. After hearing recited how Shippee's wife left him because he objected to having her folks "butt in" his affairs, Judge Milton A. Shumway yesterday granted the decree.

Fez Garrison Mutinies

(Special from United Press.) Tangier, May 13.—The report reached here, today, that a large part of the Fes garrison had mutinied and that the capture of the city by the besieging rebels and the overthrow of Sultan Mulai Hadd were imminent.

NUGETT best 10cts made.

\$5,000 FIRE AT CORNWALL

Cornwall, May 13.—The home of William Fox, with its contents, in Cornwall Hollow, was burned yesterday, causing a loss of about \$5,000. There was no insurance, the policy having run out May 1 and was not renewed. The means of escape were easily escaped and the capture of the city by the besieging rebels and the overthrow of Sultan Mulai Hadd were imminent.

SEWER PROPOSALS

Proposals will be received at the office of the Paving and Sewer Commission, Room 22, City Hall, until Monday, May 22, 1911, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the construction of sewers in State St., west of Iranistan avenue, north to State St., all as per plans and profiles on file at office of City Engineer.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

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